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by steve d. cohen

NDP calls Liberal bluff

"How is this society to be designed and run in the future? Are the major decisions to be made by international corporations, mostly American, or by the Canadian people through their representatives?" This is the central issue in the current election campaign, according to Charles Taylor, vice-president of the New Democratic Party and professor of political science at McGill.

Professor Taylor spoke yesterday to about 60 students at a debating union symposium on the federal elections. Also participating in the symposium were Bob Keaton, a lecturer in political science at SGWU and Dawson College, and Pierre de Bellefeuille, co-founder of Le Magazine Maclean. Keaton is the NDP candidate in Westmount and de Bellefeuille is their standard-bearer in Ahuntsic.

Taylor decried the fact that most decisions concerning the Canadian economy are made by American corporations. These corporations guided by the profit motive, do not consider Canadian interests when making decisions and oftern take actions that are detrimental to our own goals and national purpose.

The federal government uses its power to influence the international corporations only making decisions and often take actions that are detrimental to our own goals and national purpose.

The federal government uses its power to influence the international corporations only marginally. Citing the Regional Economic Expansion grants programme as a miserable failure, Taylor lambasted the government for its giveaway programme.

"Studies have shown that decisions to invest are made by corporations well in advance of the receipt of government grants and that many corporations view these grants as just extra gravy—as windfall profits," Taylor said.

He criticized the inordinate influence that corporations have on our government and our society, saying that the importance given to private goods rather than public goods makes for, among other evils, lousy cities with industrial pollution, few parks, and miles of pavement. "Improving the lot of the automobile makes life worse for people."
people".

Taylor called for the government to control investment directly. Handouts to "corporate welfare bums" have been shown to be ineffective at increasing employment and only serve to distort the tax structure. These "gifts"

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Political scientist denied entry to Canada

TORONTO (CUP)— An internationally known professor, Istevan Meszaros, hired to teach York University undergraduate and graduate political theory courses, who was refused entry to Canada for "security reasons", arrived in Toronto a week ago. Although he has applied for landed immigrant status, his future remains uncertain.

The case of Professor Meszaros, Marxist theorist and literary critic, political scientist, teacher of philosophy and esthetics, is under review by a special committee, York Dean of Arts John Saywell said last week.

"I understand that by this procedure, I will at least be told the reason for the first refusal in London," Meszaros said.

Meszaros, a British subject since 1965, comes from Hungary. He was a member of the 1956 provisional government and fled to Italy when the Russians regained power in Hungary. He has been teaching in the social science department at the University of Sussex for the past six years.

York hired Meszaros last spring as the hub of a new graduate programme—social and political thought. He is already scheduled to teach two undergraduate courses. Mel Hill, head of York's social science departemnt, said.

According to York officials, the Canadian embassy in London refused to give Meszaros a visa in June, saying his entry into Canada was not "in the best interests of the country."

Ed Fanning, district admissions supervisor for the Department of Manpower and Immigration in Toronto, said that immigrants can be refused entry visas due to criminal records and medical and security reasons. He said the last category is subject to interpretation by immigration officials and may include people suspected of "treason, espionage and deserting a ship."

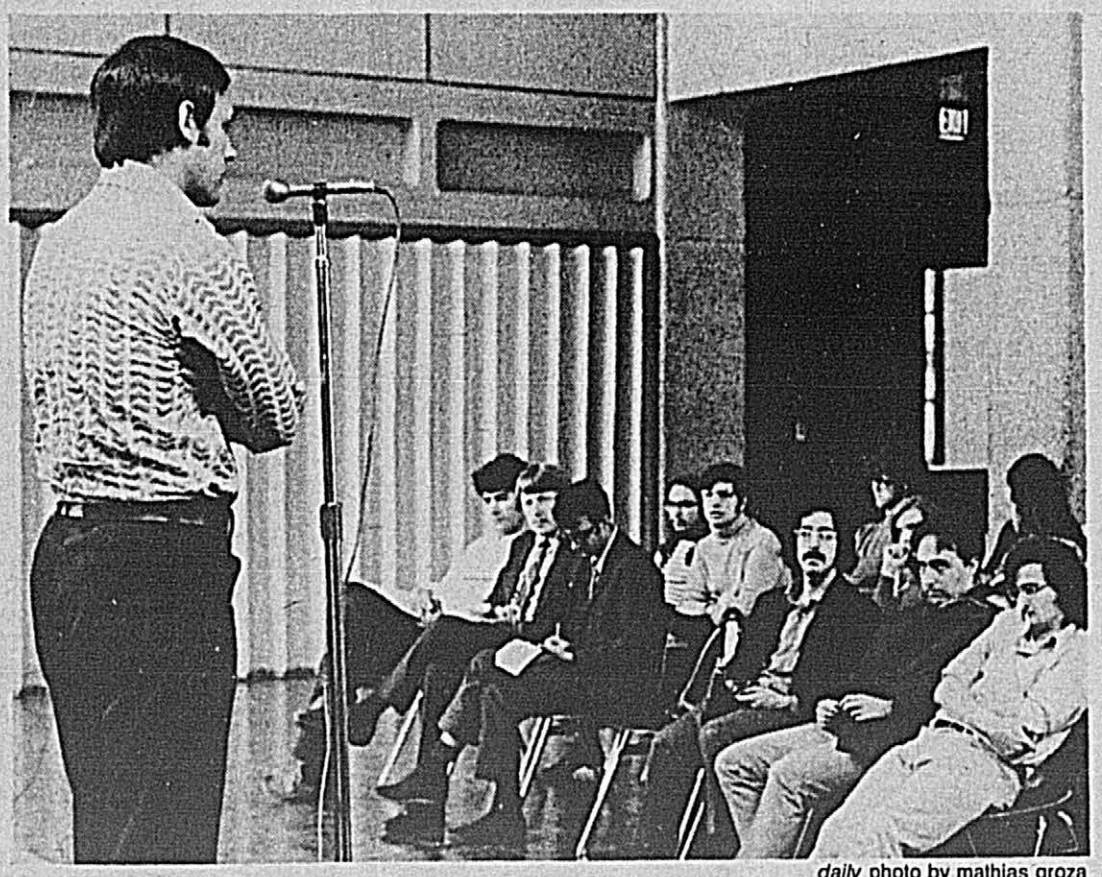
Saywell has been negotiating with government officials since June but would not comment on the talks.

York president David Slater confirmed last Wednesday that the issue is under review. "We're not engaging in public debate over the matter because we have found in the past that beyond a certain point, this does more harm than good," he said.

Neither Slater nor Saywell could say when the review decision would be released.

Meanwhile, according to Hill, Meszaros is waiting in London with his family for the final word. He had not anticipated any difficulties and had resigned his position at the University of Sussex and sold his household goods.

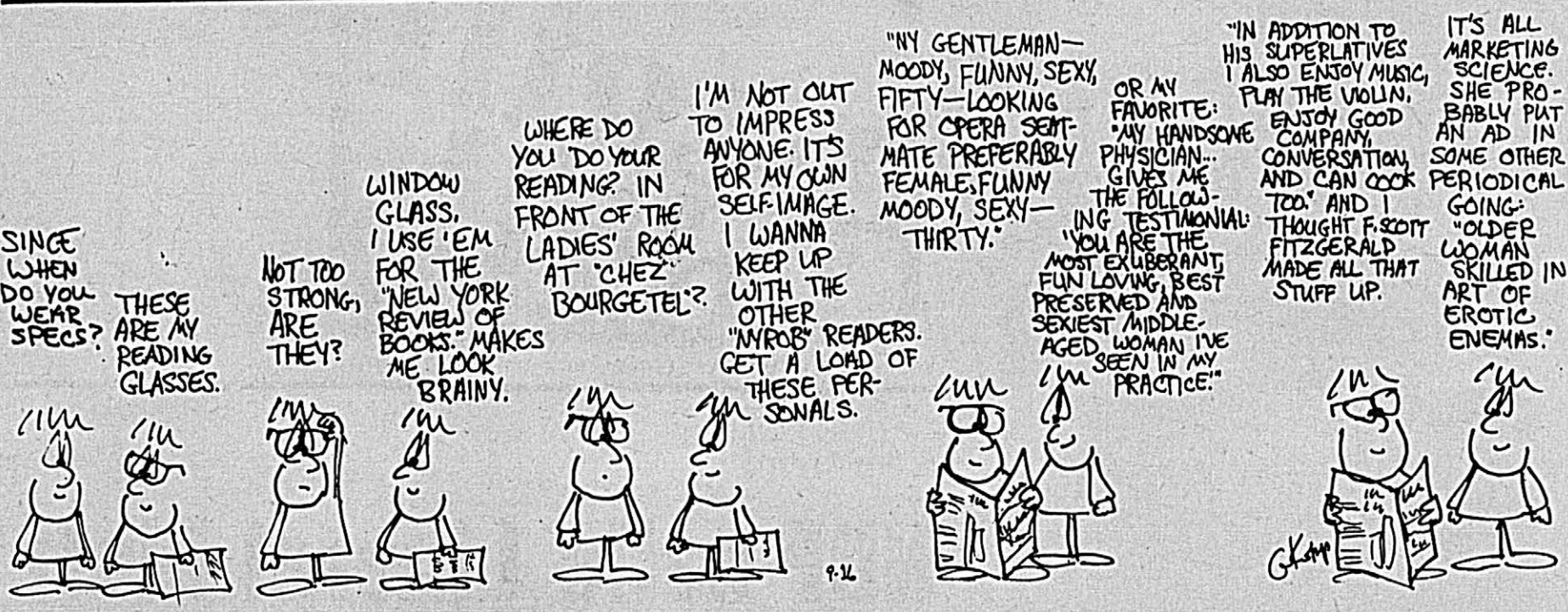
Fifty York faculty members have circulated a petition urging Slater to take action. The Canadian Association of University Teachers has also expressed its concern to Prime Minister Trudeau.



daily photo by mathias groza

BOB KEATON, NDP candidate in Westmount riding, explains that "those people on the hill" are only a minority in the riding, so come on out and campaign, huh, fellas?

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Play Dept., Montreal Children's

Friday, 29th, 1-2 pm.
Speech Therapy, Jewish General Hospital
Play Dept., Montreal Children's Hospital
Child and Adolescent Clinic

All meetings will be held in the lounge, Rm. 307, on the third floor of the Union. Anyone interested in volunteering is encouraged to come to the meetings and ask questions. **Further information is available at Union 414 or 392-8980 between 11 and 4 pm.**

by orville schell

Beyond the smart bombs: the Condor

Washington — (Pacific News)- Just as the electronically-guided "Smart Bombs" and HoBo bombs have hit the front pages, the military has finished testing an entirely new missile/bomb which promises to once again revolutionize modern air warfare. In the wake of recent fanfare over the TV-guided Maverick, North American Rockwell's Columbus, Ohio Division has come up with the Condor, which it refers to as an "educated missile."

To fire the Condor, a pilot need not be near nor see his target. It is a no-risk weapon for high risk missions which promises to antiquate even those TV- and laser-guided iron (conventional) bombs now in use.

"The HoBos (Homing Bomb Systems) have their limitations," says D. A. Smith, Manager of Analysis Planning at North American Planning, "particularly against high value targets such as factories, strategic bridges, power plants, ships, airfields, and petroleum dumps. Many of these are guarded by anti-aircraft defenses that include sophisticated surface-to-air missiles (SAM's), that can seal a 'lethal envelope' fending off anything that comes within eyeball range or even further out." The problem is simple: even though "Smart Bombs" and HoBos are accurate, pilots have to release them over the targets.

As Smith says, now pilots must fly "right down the gun barrel of the enemy" before they can pick up their targets and lock the TV guidance system of the "Smart Bombs" on them. Pilots continue to be shot down at an "unacceptable level" while trying to do so.

What North American Rockwell has done with its new Condor, is in effect to make a seeing-eye bomb with its own propulsion system. Where the "Smart Bomb" only has fins to direct its fall, the Condor has an engine. "It's terrific," says Smith. "It can fly longer distances and stay further out of trouble. The rocket motor allows the plane to stay way out of visual range and get better 'stand-off'. The pilot can launch his payload well outside of the target area. He can also be en route to another target, or heading home.

There is a TV camera in the nose of the Condor which sends back TV pictures of what it sees to a cockpit screen. "When the Condor gets near the target area," says Smith, "a green light comes on in the pilot's cockpit saying, 'start looking at the TV screen.'" The pilot then picks out the target on the screen and guides the weapon home. "You need never see the target in order to get a hit," notes Smith. "And we get a hit almost every time—a 90% kill ratio."

This technique is referred to by the military as the "ready-fire-aim" system, and is described as a "radical departure" from the conventional "ready-aim-fire" tactics used with bombs, rockets, guns, and even HoBos. Not only does the system insure maximum safety for the attacking pilot, but allows an air strike to be carried out almost without detection. It gives the enemy little time to react.

But perhaps the most important feature of all is that the Condor will allow the US military to pinpoint bomb right through bad weather and heavy cloud cover. "It can go right through weather," says Smith. "Once under the clouds, the pilot can pick up the target on the nose camera and it's home free."

The Condor carries an explosive charge roughly equivalent to a 1000-pound iron bomb, although it does lose some "punch" because of the added weight of the rocket engine and the electro-optical equipment. It leaves a crater around 20-25 feet, compared with 30 feet for a HoBo or "Smart".

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force workers to bear an unfair share of the tax burden.

Keaton criticized the government for propagating the myth that Canada lacks sufficient capital and needs to import foreign investment. Foreign companies usually invest in extractive industries that create very few jobs for Canadians and enormous profits for foreigners.

Keaton cited the case of IT&T, which received forty million dollars from the federal government, thirty million dollars from the Québec government, and an amount of land twice the size of West Germany to start a logging enterprise. IT&T put up only twenty-eight million dollars. For less than thirty per cent of the capital, IT&T receives one hundred per cent of the profits and control. One thousand five hundred jobs will be created in Canada. In Belgium, where the logs will go, four thousand five hundred jobs will be created.

If the governments can find seventy million dollars, then surely it can "scrape" up twenty-eight million more and keep control and profits in our own hands.

"We have been blackmailed by the corporations that if we do not give them loopholes, we shall have unemployment. So we gave them loopholes and we still have umemployment. Let's call their bluff"

Pierre de Bellefeuille challenged Trudeau's visions of a contented working class by asserting that unemployment is a major concern of working men and women. "Unemployment means a bad morale,despair and

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Lawyers: for whose defense?

By Margaret McGregor

In attempting to understand the limits and potentials of the current law students' strike one must try to examine the nature of "law" itself. What does the existence of law in a given society say about that society? And in the context of the liberal democracy, how does the law serve to reinforce and articulate those contradictions on which such a system is based?

The presence of laws in a society assumes unnecessary distance or separation of the man from the "rule". It assumes that people exist somehow in opposition. In the context of a capitalist society, this means that the law exists as a controlling mechanism outside of the man. Man becomes subordinate to the law, as opposed to law being subordinate to the man. If a jurist were to go to the Peoples' Republic of China today to do a "study" on the Chinese legal system he or she would have difficulty in finding one.

The question to ask, then, should be what is the necessity for this kind of control. Is it man's evil nature, a common theory dating from early Christianity, and becoming dominant with the dawn of capitalism, or does law exist to control those contradictions on which capitalist society is based?

Take for instance those laws within the criminal code dealing with theft. When I steal a car from you and I am found guilty of my act, there are certain fundamental principles being assumed such as the legitimacy of your right to the car over my right to possess the same car. All law in our society is based on this principle of the supremacy of private property. In this way, we see "theft" become "legal" with the landlord's right to evict *his* tenants from *his* property, or the finance company's "right" to charge interests, or my right to pay someone $5.00 to make a pair of shoes which I can sell to my friend in Westmount for $30.00 (that doesn't necessarily mean a Westmount fat-cat he may need the shoes).

What does all this mean to a person who studies law with the intention of 'upholding freedom'. Isn't law, after all, 'civil liberties'? To someone studying law, however, it becomes clear that that is not the function of law, it is simply one of the rationalizing mechanisms for the existence of law. A rationalization which can only be enjoyed by those who possess the means of production.

This is coupled with the way in which the law is taught. The assumptions on which law is based are taken for granted by the professors of law. Any critical approach to such a study is a contradiction to be rigorously discouraged. What the law student studies and how he studies tends to be extremely conservative. Those laws he sits memorizing for three years are an effort to "conserve" a system, and, ultimately, if he wants to be a lawyer (the economic rewards of which are considerable) it is in his interests to conserve that system.

The present conflict of law students with the bar, offers the potential for such questions, as have been touched upon, to begin to be asked and dealt with. Instead of negotiating with the Bar for a "fairer" exam, one might begin questioning the very existence of the Bar. Is its purpose to maintain a certain professional standard, or is its purpose to guard the privileges of a certain group of professionals? Unfortunately, this crisis arose at present because these privileges are being threatened by too many people wanting to have a share in them.

If law students begin to ask questions of this nature, a fundamental reassessment of their role, and the role of law in society may very well emerge.

letters

A RESOUNDING 'GOD FORBID!"

A VOLCANIC REPLY TO CAPITALISTS

A pat on our back

Sir,

I want to congratulate you and your correspondent, Mr. Kirk Stevens, on a perceptive and unusually well-informed article on Quebec teachers ("A little red in the schoolhouse" September 19th). One of the discouraging aspects of my job is the incredible ignorance of so-called "educational correspondents" to say nothing of the vicious anti-union bias of their editors: thank you for reviving my faith in the news media.

I do not wish to be pernickety about an article which, despite its Marxist over-simplifications, was intellectually honest and well-researched but there were at least two lapses which I feel need correcting.

On Page 13 (col. 2 para. 3) Stevens writes: " . . . many teachers, especially the Protestants, took their frustrations out on the public and the students, often in petty ways like refusing to supervise extra-curricular activities . . ."

Since the "Protestants" were not even on strike in 1967 I must contradict this assertion. Whatever our frustrations (- Bill 25 stopped us from negotiating our first collective agreements -) we certainly carried out no extra-curricular strike or indeed any strike at all until 1969 when we marched in Quebec with 20,000 of our CEQ colleagues. If some of us were guilty of "petty" irritation between 1967 and 1972 this is surely natural and an example of how arbitrary and undemocratic actions by our employers waste the 'invisible asset' of teacher morale.

My second demurrer is more general. I find class analyses useful because of their very simplicity—and truth is often so complex as to be totally unidentifiable—but Stevens simply cannot get away with condescending cracks about how far we've come, baby. To call us 'petit bourgeois' is to reduce us to mechanical elements in an equation: whatever our social pretensions, many of our teachers are immigrants and many are of working-class backgrounds. I would suggest that the social status and role of the "Protestant" teacher have diminished drastically in the past decade and that this phenomenon is far more significant than any "middle-class" label. Faced with centralization of effective authority, with this lowering of our status and influence, with the unilingual policies of our natural allies in CEQ, our continued co-operation with CEQ is worthy of more investigation than Mr. Stevens has given it. You might note that the Anglo-Catholics, who have always been in the majority system and who have not suffered the loss of prestige felt by those in the fat cat Protestant system, are far more hostile to the Common Front or any alliance with the French.

I am not asking for a pat on the back for our open attitude: I am asking for a recognition that this position is fraught with difficulties and indeed that the normal groupings of workers based on common "class" or professional interests are always frustrated in Quebec by the linguistic and racial barrier.

D. R. Peacock, President
Montreal Teachers Association

Keep profits up!

Sir,

Certainly, the Faculty of Management has not been suddenly struck with a guilty conscience, causing the rising emphasis on the study of the behavioural sciences, aimed perhaps at producing a kindly father figure who will look after all the social needs of his people.

The new emphasis has been keenly felt throughout the business world, even at the heart of that nasty "American, imperialist, capitalist, etc." structure. The driving force as you brilliantly pointed out in Monday's editorial, is the need to keep profits up. Granted this may not be the most honorable reason for seeking social change, but it may prove to be the most effective. After all we all know where power rests in today's society.

As our villain in the dark suit begins to realize he can make more money by keeping people happy, giving them relevant even enjoyable (God forbid!) jobs, he may just do so. In fact, he is, (yes, there really are people who dig their 9 to 5 routine, and they are people, not just inveterate blobs at a primitive level of consciousness).

The end result, the villain still makes a buck, the almighty dollar still reigns, but more and more people find fulfillment and happiness, bliss consciousness in capitalism if you like.

Peter Kobor
Faculty of Management

Open letter to MUS

Perhaps the letter entitled "Compassion in Commerce" of Sept. 21 and signed "M.U.S. Executive" was a put-on. If it was not, then I must declare that you

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FROM OUR READERS

Participate me in Pumpkin-time

by kirk stevens

It was as if Canada had come of age, as if he himself singlehandedly would catapult the country into the brilliant sunshine of the late twentieth century from stagnant swamp of traditionalism and mediocrity in which Canadian politics had been bogged for years.

London Spectator
June 1968

To Pierre Trudeau, the high priest of Canadian political ritual, the Hallowe'en election is an event of only symbolic importance—as long as he wins. It was mildly surprising, but still shocking, to watch the Liberal government descend from the Parliament Hill ivory tower to the depths of unprofound theosophy. One would have thought that the American frim of public opinion experts, hired to plot the Liberals' campaign strategy, would have recognized that Canadians aren't interested in the Messianic Age this time around—or if they are they'll at least ask for the details before they cast their votes. But then again, word leaked out that another U.S. firm contracted by the Conservatives advised Stanfield to raise issues—not because politics is about issues, of course, but because that's the best way Banana Bob comes on strong. In other words, if you're out to lick a government that conveys the smooth, sophisticated look, you have to project the opposite image of being the salt of the earth. You don't have to *be* the salt of the earth—seeming is enough. And as for David Lewis, who bought Canadian expertise for his campaign, he was told to just be himself. Either he can't be anybody but himself even if he tried or the guys who make business out of politics were afraid an NDP government would nationalize polling agencies. To use a contemporary cliché, it's unreal even when it's real.

There used to be a time in this land of ours when politics was about bread and butter with a taste of scandal (Gerda Munsinger) to palpitate the prurient. This type of politics was blatantly deficient, of course, in that it served the interest of a very special clique of persons who could be seen hanging around places like Bay St., the St. James Club, and Woodbine on the day of the Queen's Plate. It was a hoax. It gave Canadians the illusion that their destiny could be controlled by the ballot. However bad it was, at least our loveable political hacks mystified issues. Now they just mystify.

On September 11 Trudeau served notice to a TMR gathering that he wouldn't raise issues unless his opponents raised them first. He believes that the elections are a time for us to "make a commitment to Canada"; that it is a "dialogue of the people". Naturally enough, and distressingly enough, he said in the same speech that there are "no spectacular choices for the electorate in a democracy like Canada".

In short, elections are superfluous. Trudeau's conception of dialogue is mere noise that has no effect on action.

In image politics even the outcries of powerful pressure groups can be ignored. That a Canadian Prime Minister can say to prairie farmers "Why should I sell your wheat?" is a testament to arrogance. It is also an indication that to Trudeau, even pluralist interest politics have no meaning.

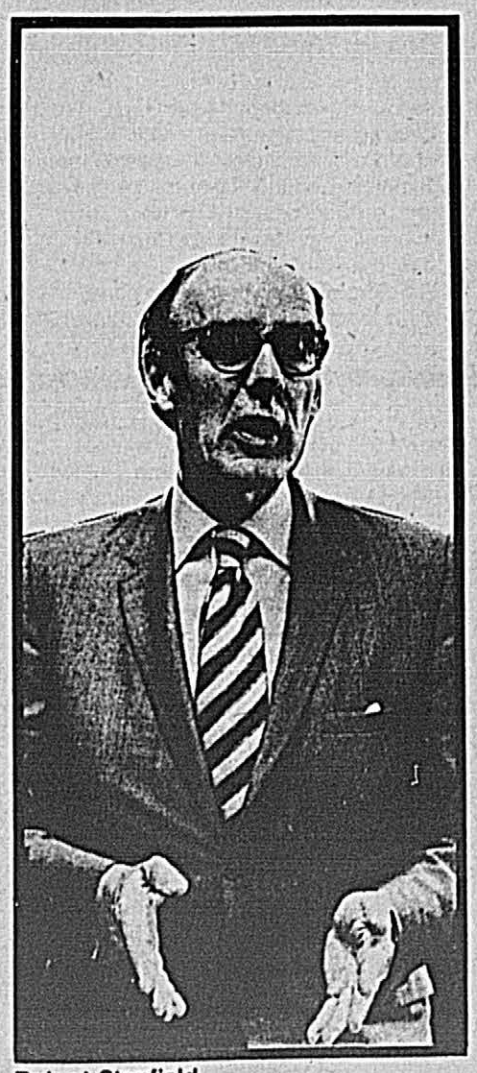
The handling of agricultural policy is indicative of a general trend towards technocracy in which politics is supplanted by management. To many capitalist governments agriculture is a bête-noire. Everytime farmers have good crops they are rewarded by low prices. So we see governments paying farmers to leave their fields fallow and building supply dumps where foodstuffs are left to rot.

Such absurd policies are liked by no one. Neither the farmers who lobby for such stop-gap solutions nor the consumers who must pay for them, nor the government which has the headache of administering them, believe the policies are rational by any human standards. And yet, within the parameters of a market economy they do have a certain logic, perverse though it may be.

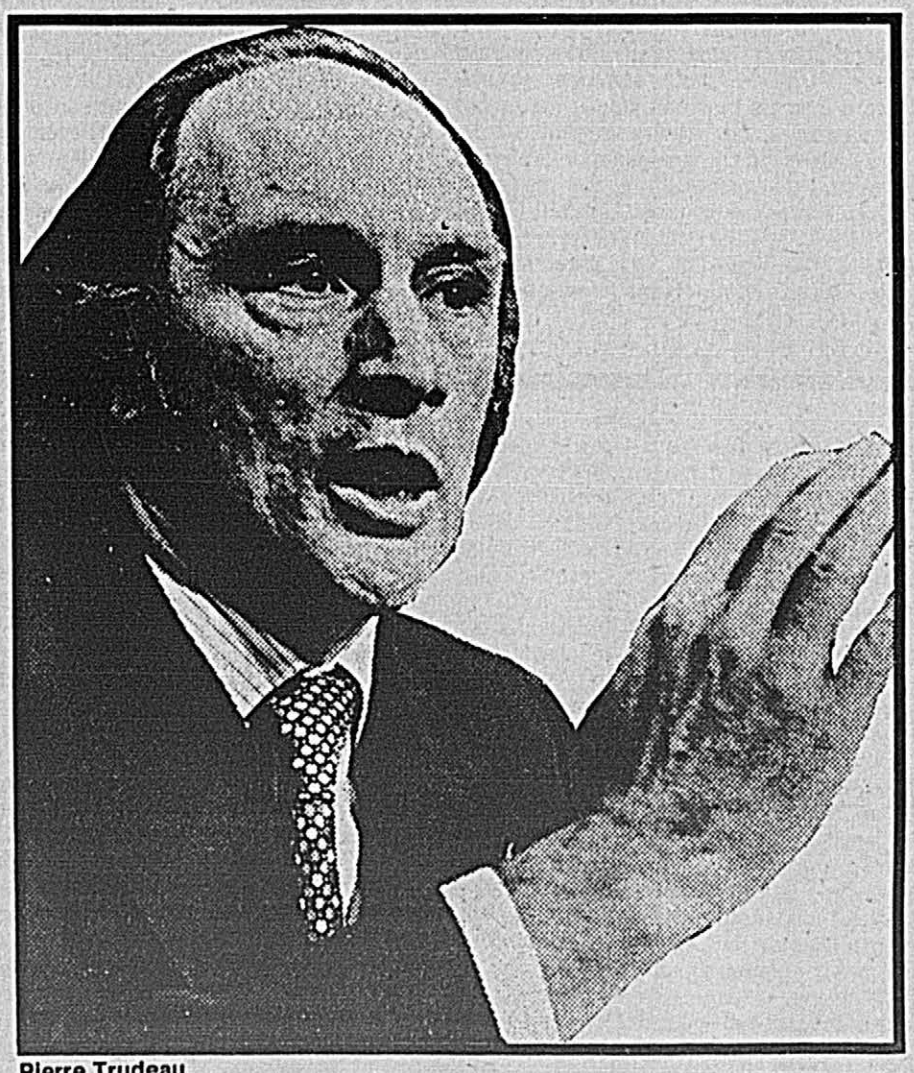
What are the alternatives? Giving the produce away on the domestic level is obviously ridiculous. Giving it away on the international level would be equally ruinous and in violation of international protocols Ottawa has signed.

Two courses are open. One is to continue the policy of subsidies and supports with occasional sales to China and the U.S.S.R. to relieve the pressure. The second course is to pursue agricultural rationalization by wiping out small producers to make way for increased efficiency and easier control of output and prices.

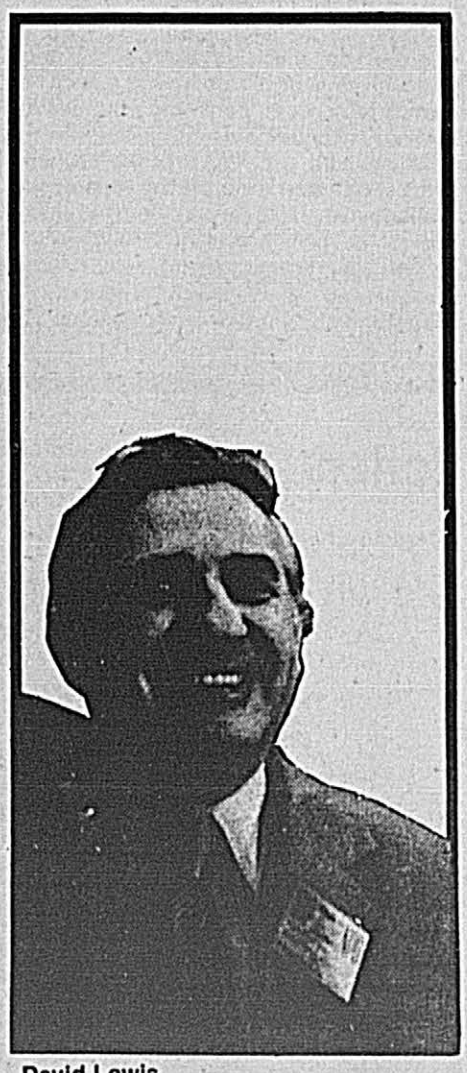
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Robert Stanfield



Pierre Trudeau



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The second solution is by far the more efficient, but it has disastrous side-effects: rural unemployment and social dislocation. It is this policy that the government pursues with a highhandedness that is astounding. It's only moderated somewhat when the protests get too loud.

Trudeau's agricultural program could perhaps be analysed solely in terms of class conflict, but there is an element here which transcends such an analysis.

Agriculture seems to be a snag in all advanced economies, including non-capitalist ones. Although many of the absurdities of Canadian agriculture can be traced to the market, the growth of technology itself is responsible for the underlying dilemma. The rationalization of agriculture and the resulting displacement of world population is inherent in any process of urbanization. Even though rural Canada is on its way to being controlled by agricultural conglomerates, the end result will be not so much unfettered monopoly (though consumers are feeling a price rise which is only just beginning) but centralization of control.

Agriculture is the area of the economy where collusion, consultation, and cooperation between bureaucracy and the private sector is most prevalent through wheat boards, marketing agencies, etc. It would be simplistic to say that government only takes orders from the private sector. The process is one of give and take between both parties. Of course it is not a process of compromise between private interest and the public good as represented by Ottawa. More and more, during Trudeau's tenure as P.M., so-called objective criteria have been used to plot policy. These have nothing to do with anybody's interests. Canada is to be turned into a super-managed whole. Neither human reason nor will has any place in such a scheme.

So the proposals of the 1969 task force on agriculture which call for a reduction of farm population from ten percent to three percent, and a fifty percent drop in wheat acreage, are being implemented. When the farmers scream, they are given a wheat deal or some other palliative to pacify them.

Farm policy is only one aspect of the technocratic orientation which permeates the present administration. The centralization of power within the government goes further than the Diefs beef that Trudeau has subverted Parliament. The Cabinet is not even the locus of power in the land anymore—the levers are being wielded by a small group of technocrats (the Supergroup, to use Walter Stewart's phrase) around the Prime Minister's office. Marc Lalonde isn't exactly a household word, but he is the second most powerful man in Canada. This gravitation to the centre is reflected in cold statistics. In 1967 the P.M.'s personal staff numbered twelve. In 1971, it had risen to 60.

To quote a very senior civil servant, who opened his heart up to Stewart *(Shrug: Trudeau in Power)* "You have a system where people who are neither elected nor appointed, not accountable to anyone but the prime minister, are making all the decisions. A policy comes across your desk and you're asked to comment on it, but you know the final say is going to come from somebody in the Supergroup."

For the Liberals, the election itself is a technicality. In their minds, the only valid criterion that one should employ when casting a ballot is how one judges the record of managing the country. In other words, if you think the present management is sufficient, vote Liberal. If not, give the other guys a crack at the job. Not that they're supposed to do much differently—just more efficiently. Within the parameters of such an attitude, choice becomes meaningless.

If politics is a decision-making process whereby a group of men deliberate and choose a course of action then we do not have a really democratic process (in which all can wield equal power in contrast to bourgeois politics, where only some really do). We don't even have politics. To the honest technocratic mind, this is all to the better. After all, human action, being unpredictable, is somewhat incompatible with "objectivity". It messes up the works. "There are no spectacular choices in a democracy like Canada." Trudeau's notion of democracy precludes choice.

If politics is to be made superfluous, then what are elections for? To Trudeau, they are but exercises in psychological technique, in which people make a "commitment to Canada" or do something else equally insignificant. The Liberal party could be in for a shock, in that they may have overestimated the degree to which the Canadian people have accepted Pavlovian conditioning, post Expo '67 style. But this truth nevertheless remains: elections could only be filled with such inane verbiage because language generally is warped.

Our society is inarticulate. It's not that we lack words; it's that words are wielded as instruments. Language is no system of arbitrary convention, but is a product of men's collective historical experience. Over time it changes to reflect the successive environments that social man both creates and is in turn conditioned by.

So it is with our society. Instead of being forged in the slow but sure process of history, language is now manufactured. In a sense, modernity is anti-historical. The social and cultural fabric which in other civilizations is an organic growth developed over time, is now subject to "rational" tampering. Culture becomes fad. Even the day-to-day utensils people use, or houses, or vehicles, no longer constitute a stable backdrop to human action. They are mere consumables. And speech has been afflicted by the same corrosive forces.

That "democracy" can be equated with a lack of meaningful choice is only the most flagrant example of electronic-electoral semantics. Sometimes the politicos overstep themselves in the escalation of verbal weaponry. Stanfield's "Chicken Socialism" is ahead of its time—even the media is sufficiently old-fashioned to wonder what it meant. Banana Bob didn't know either, but that didn't stop him from using it, or rather deploying it.

That this election is more of a farce than usual is, of course, not part of a deliberate plot to bring on Brave New World. Just as the impact of technique into agriculture creates some absurd human situation, so does its almost inevitable intrusion into politics. The technocratic consciousness which demands that everything be done in the most efficient way is an inhuman irony.

The most efficient way to make bread requires that all but four of twenty-eight nutrients be removed and of them only twenty-two are put back. To efficiently mass-produce bread requires that bread be abolished. The one best way to win an election is by propagandistic rape. We now have political orgies, not elections, not even bourgeois elections. It doesn't matter if Stanfield isn't the life-of-the-party-type. To win an election you just gotta have girls. In reality, real reality, the image is ridiculous, but who cares?

So Pierre, participate us in pumpkin time, like you participated us in violet time before.

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Commerce types have no real concept of what modern capitalism is about and where it is headed.

I'm told that if I attended your lectures I'd be aware of the "moral, ethical and social implications of business affairs". Well now, let me tell you that I come from an era of business where I had a good chance to observe at first hand some of these aspects of the world of commerce, high finance, and labour-management relations. I was in fact the operator of a business for 26 years and didn't end up in bankruptcy, real or fake. I wonder how you chaps are going to show us how to do anything differently or better than your predecessors, and you surely *Know* the results of their efforts: all around you, fellows. And they're making bombs just for you. Sooner or later, if you don't produce anything better than capitalism's "grapes of wrath", they'll be putting you up against a wall. Well, you *know* what's happening in Uganda, etc. etc.

So lend me your brains, assuming you have any, (a degree in commerce is no proof that you can be better than many a businessman I knew personally who couldn't even sign his name), and let me tell you what I think of capitalism. I'll differentiate for you, to clarify matters, between industrial capitalism and economic capitalism. The former means ploughing back some of a company's undistributed earnings into plant improvements and expansion, a sort of capital feedback. The latter is the power to get without giving, as embodied in landed property, usury, monopolistic practices, financial manipulation, the power of taxation and bureaucracy, tariff protection and a multitude of special privileges ensured by political and military stooges. It is this definition of capitalism I am concerned with here. And I intend to surprise you by not going into any longwinded discourse on it. A quick read-through on the tract by Dr. Norman Bethune on "the men who make the wounds" will fill you in adequately on the morality of this capitalist ethos.

All I can add is that you commerce types must be very naive to allow yourselves to have been brainwashed. But perhaps I'm being unfair: you have not the experience of age and have probably never suffered real urban poverty. And make no mistake about it. The era is long gone where you can get a full guarantee of military and police backup for the system of human exploitation into which you are being programmed. You will be answerable for what is to ensue. Modern commercial capitalism is based on maximizing profit with a minimum of expense, including human labour, and in creating artificial desires in humans for junk they could well do without. Early obsolescence and waste are programmed into every article produced. Capitalists are only too happy to see universities subsidized by the working taxpayers to produce a surplus of skilled technicians, managers and specialists. Because this will ultimately mean job competition and cheaper wages for them. Those left out in the cold, can, as in Japan, jump into volcanoes.

At least Japan, which is a capitalist nation *par excellence*, treats its workers well. They work under ideal conditions. Their employers have taken a page from the ranchers and found it pays to keep the livestock healthy and cheerful, at least until they can get them to the slaughterhouses.

Ron Fleischman.

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discouragement by the working population," he said. "It was deliberately caused by those marionettes in Ottawa as a dim-witted solution to inflation."

Charles Taylor linked the government's inducing of the recession with the excessive influence that the large corporations exert on our society. Instead of price controls which would reduce profits, the Liberal Government increased unemployment. Inflation hurts big corporations but unemployment hurts only working class people. Keaton said that "it's about time that we established social priorities and not corporate priorities."

Keaton called on the voters not to be fooled by false issues such as the Liberals' "national unity" or the Conservatives' "consultation". "Let's get down gut issues of unemployment and poverty. Don't be bought off by image politics," Keaton cautioned.

Taylor challenged the audience to refect the cynical attitude of "they're all alike." He called on students to help elect NDP candidates because "it matters who is elected. It matters that NDP candidates like Keaton and de Bellefeuille are elected."

what's what

FOREIGN STUDENTS

Officers of the Department of Manpower and Immigration will be present at the University on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, September 25th, 26th, and 27th, 1972, to interview all foreign students registered in the University in order to revalidate their student visas.

Interviews will take place in Room 123-124 of the University Centre, 3480 McTavish Street, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Students are asked to take the following three items with them to the interview: i) Passport, ii) Proof of sufficient funds, and iii) McGill student card.

SAVOY SOCIETY

The Savoy Society is now holding auditions for its 1972-73 production. This year's show will be THE GONDOLIERS, by Gilbert & Sullivan. The Savoy Society is the oldest student group in Canada producing the works of G. & S. This is our ninth annual production; previous operas performed include HMS PINAFORE, THE SORCERER, and RUDDIGORE.

Information for auditions is posted on the Savoy notice board in the right hand side of the Union lobby. Interested people can either prepare their own material or can come without preparation, as an alternative to the posted instructions. People may audition either for chorus or for leads.

Those interested in joining the technical staff (stage crew, costumes, etc.) should leave their names with the producer.

The dates are: Monday-Wednesday, Sept. 25-27; Friday Sept. 29, and Monday-Tuesday, October 2-3. All auditions will be held in Union B26-27; from 7-10 pm.

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CHINESE STUDENT SOCIETY: Anyone interested in playing intramural soccer for MCSS. New students welcomed. Lower campus 4 pm.

PRE-MED SOCIETY: Membership open for the new year. Sign up now in Union 409, 1-2pm. Events begin Oct. 3.

SAVOY SOCIETY: Auditions for THE GONDOLIERS by Gilbert & Sullivan, Union B26-27, 7-10 pm.

LEGAL AID: Union 412, 3-5pm.

COMMUNITY MCGILL: Information and interviews about volunteering in hospitals and day-care centres. Union 414, 11-4pm, 392-8980.

DEBATING UNION: Election forum: Liberal Party, Bud Drury. Union Ballroom, 1 pm.

JEWISH FREE UNIVERSITY: Hebrew Language Instruction, beginners, 922 Decarie Blvd., 8:00. Talmidic Judaism, 2130 Bishop St., 7:00. Approaches to a Radical Theology, 3460 Stanley St., 8:30. Workshop on Jewish Poetry and Creative Writing, 3460 Stanley, 7:30. Basic Judaism, 922 Decarie, 8:00. German Judaism and the Third Reich, 2130 Bishop, 7:00.

RED & WHITE REVUE: Anyone interested in joining the production staff please contact Joel Silverstein or Robert Brummer, R&W office, Union 3rd floor.

HILLEL: Square dancing, 7:30 p.m., 3460 Stanley sSt.

I.S.A. USED BOOK SALE: We're having a great Booksale Large selection still available. Come and see us! Union B40, 12-3

INDIA STUDENTS ASSOCIATION: Indian students are advised to renew their visas. Union 123, 9-3:30 pm.

MCGILL OUTING CLUB: Open meeting, film "Les Rochassiers", refreshments free, Union ballroom, 7:30 pm.

ARMENIAN STUDENTS CLUB: Freshmen welcome, get together. Union 327, 6:30 pm

ISA: All foreign students please take note that the immigration officials will be on campus today. Renew your visas. For details see "what's what".

FENCING CLUB: Registration and 1st club meeting. All old and new members please attend —election of president. Currie Gym, 6:30.

CLASSIFIEDS

These ads may be placed in the advertising office at the University Centre from 10 am to 4 pm. Ads received by noon appear the following day. Rates: 3 consecutive insertions—$3.00 maximum 20 words. 15 cents per extra word.

HOUSING

Rooms for Rent. $60 a month and up. 2129 Bleury St. Call 849-9774.

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Management Freshmen Week: Activities all week, consult information booth in SBB and read commerce communique for more details.

Announcing the first annual management olympics. Everyone is invited. Monday, September 25th, at 3 P.M. on Lower Campus. Win Prizes!!

McGill Outing Club open meeting Tuesday, September 26. Union Ballroom, 7:30 P.M. Free refreshments and movie.

Yavneh—Outings, lecturers on controversial issues, Chevra Building. Visit our Yavneh booth at Hillel House, 3460 Stanley between 12-2 PM this week.

COCKROACH IS COMING! Thursday, Sept. 28, 1:00 PM. Union Ballroom. Islandia Returns! Thursday Nite Coffee House, Union, Sept. 28, 8:00 PM.

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WEST INDIAN SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING, Wednesday Sept. 27th. at 7:30 PM Union 458. Call Don 843-5649 or Mike 843-7236

WANTED

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ACTRESSES AND ACTOR for feature film. Two beautiful young girls, ages 18-23, needed for low budget film. Previous experience not essential. Also actor aged 21-25 to play good-looking villain. Nude scenes required. Reply promptly, mailing photos and full information including age and physical description to: Cinema 2000, 755 Montpellier, Apt. 307, Montreal 379.

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LOST LAST APRIL: High School ring ir. Strathcona Anatomy Bldg. Sentimental value. Please call June 334-2293.

PERSONAL

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THE DEBATING UNION ELECTION FORUMS continue

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Wednesday, Sept. 27th, 1 PM
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1) Cafeteria Chairman
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ii) responsibility for enforcing the Caterer's contract and terms thereof.
iii) evaluates suggestions for the improvement fo food service.

2) Activities Night Chairman
duties:
This post is not a very demanding one and the person in charge is basically acting in the role of co-ordinator for this event, one which sees every group on campus represented.

3) Chief Returning Officer
duties:
*i) to enforce the electoral by-laws as pertaining to campus-wide elections. e.g.: Students' Council and Students' Executive.
*2) to call for elections and to supervise same.
This is a very important position for many reasons and the office-holder must be sufficiently responsible to be able to accomplish this task well.

All three positions are open as of September 19, 1972. Applications will close September 26, 1972. For application forms or further information, please contact the Students' Society Office in the Students' Union. We need you—instead of complaining, why don't you come in and help us try to get something done.

Bennett Little
Executive Applications Director

For further info, you can call the Students' Society Office—392-8922 or call me direct at 481-8843.

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